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TAGS: PGOV, GE, UR
SUBJECT: GDR TREATMENT OF SUPREME SOVIET
DELEGATION VISIT TO THE US

1. THE VISIT OF THE SUPREME SOVIET DELEGATION
TO WASHINGTON HAS RECEIVED PROMINENT AND EXTENSIVE
COVERAGE IN THE GDR MEDIA AND IS TREATED AS
AN EXAMPLE OF SOVIET WILLINGNESS TO ENGAGE IN A
CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE US ON A BROAD RANGE
OF ISSUES. PARTICULAR ATTENTION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE
STATEMENTS OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION ON SALT AND
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OTHER ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT ISSUES. THE
STORIES APPEAR TO BE FACTUAL SUMMARIES OF THE
STATEMENTS OF THE SUPREME SOVIET DELEGATION EMPHASIZING
THE WILLINGNESS OF THE USSR TO MAKE PROGRESS IN THE
ARMS CONTROL FIELD. THE APPEARANCE OF THIS FAIRLY
LENGTHY ARTICLE PERMITS THE GDR TO DISPLAY THE RANGE
OF CURRENT SOVIET ARMS CONTROL PROPOSALS AND, BY

TREATING THEM FAVORABLY, TO IDENTIFY THE GDR WITH THEM.

2. DURING A CALL BY AN EMBOFF AT THE MFA, A GDR OFFICIAL RAISED THE SUBJECT OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION VISIT, VOLUNTEERING THE VIEW THAT THIS WAS A VERY FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENT.

3. COMMENT. THE EXTENSIVE AND FAVORABLE TREATMENT IN THE PRESS AND THE REMARKS BY THE MFA OFFICIAL REFLECT A POLICY WHICH WE SEE QUITE OFTEN TO PUT US-SOVIET RELATIONS WHEREVER POSSIBLE IN A GOOD LIGHT. END COMMENT. BOLEN

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